

League of Women Voters of San Joaquin County

Board Meeting: September 9, 2024 – on Zoom

Minutes

Boardmembers present: Mary Ann Cox-Martin, Suzy Daveluy, Christeen Ferree, Colleen Foster, Ruby Hennessey, Samantha Johnson, Mary Kenefick, Yvette Remlinger, Daphne Shaw, Sarah Tygert

President Mary Kenefick called the meeting to order at 6:29 p.m.
A quorum was present.

The agenda was adopted with one addition to New Business:

- Pros and Cons for Stockton's Measure N

Minutes

MSC (Shaw/Ferree): to accept the Minutes of the Board meeting of August 19, 2024 as submitted.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Yvette Remlinger reviewed the financial report she submitted with the agenda. As of 8/31/24, there was \$13,760.74 in the General Fund and \$11,082.94 in the Ed Fund.

She also reported that our Pay Pal account was up to date. She said that Pay Pal fees were \$2.70 per transaction, which was relatively low and was a convenience for members who wish to pay their dues through Pay Pal.

Yvette suggested that we update our membership forms with a box that would indicate whether dues are coming from a NEW or RENEWING member.

Old Business

- Lunch and Learn: Colleen Foster reported that Lunch and Learns are scheduled through March and that potential speakers for April and May are being pursued.
- Kickoff Meeting: Our scheduled speaker, Phillip Merlo, may not be able to present at our Kickoff meeting. If Phillip Merlo cannot be our speaker, it was suggested that we ask our members to give us ideas on what issues in the community the League should be aware of/ track and what community groups we might invite to a meeting to get information on how they and the League might work together on issues of mutual interest. It was also suggested that we might think about what the community would be lacking without the League and how we might "recreate" the League to match current needs.
- Manteca City Council Forum: Mary Kenefick announced that the League will host a forum for the one contested race for Manteca City Council on October 9th. The forum will need timekeepers, greeters, and other helpers. Contact Mary to volunteer.

New Business

- Voter registration: Mary Kenefick suggested that we buy portable furniture to facilitate voter registration on the Delta campus. She would like to reach out to Delta students to see if they would help us register Delta students before the November election.
 - **MSC (Shaw/Cox-Martin)**: that Mary Kenefick be authorized to expend League funds not to exceed \$150 for furniture to be housed at Delta College to facilitate voter registration of students.
- League and "VOTE" Buttons: Mary Kenefick suggested that we purchase 3" buttons designed by League member Melissa Williams with LWV on one button and VOTE on the other, to be distributed prior to the General Election. She has a contact who can make the buttons but does not yet have an estimated cost for 50 buttons of each design.
 - The number of buttons purchased would be determined by how soon before the election buttons could be obtained, the cost, and a distribution plan. The Board agreed to a phone poll authorizing an expenditure for the buttons when information is available.
- Voter registration forms: Mary Kenefick suggested we procure voter registration forms and make them available to League members with the encouragement that they carry the forms with them until the registration deadline to facilitate voter registration opportunities. Mary will get forms from the Registrar of Voters and will have some available at our Kickoff meeting.
- Pros and Cons for Stockton's Measure N: Colleen Foster said the League has been approached to present a forum on Stockton's Measure N, which will authorize binding arbitration for Police and Fire employees, a provision which was removed from the Stockton City Charter just prior to Stockton's bankruptcy. She volunteered to coordinate a "Pros and Cons" style information session following the Pros and Cons presentation at our October 5th membership meeting. The Board had no objection to pursuing a presentation by proponents and opponents of Measure N in a panel format where each side would respond to questions posed about the measure.

Announcements

- Suzy Daveluy said we are looking for panelists for the forums on the Delta College campus on September 19th and 26th. We also need timekeepers for some of the forums. Contact Suzy Daveluy to volunteer.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE VIA ZOOM ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 21ST AT 6:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Foster

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Secretary